Lutheran Church of Hope

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 17, 2019

The Sermon on the Mount by Carl Bloch, 1877. In the collection of the Museum of National History, Denmark. Public Domain.

GATHERING

The liturgy (order for worship) is found in the missal booklet at the back of the red ELW hymnal.

8:55 AM *The Ringing of the Valley of Hope Spire Bells*

Before the Prelude, speak to one another. During the Prelude, speak to God. During worship, let God speak to you. During the week, let God speak through you.

Prelude

Please stand as you are able and face the Baptismal Font. (In these waters we daily remember our entrance into the life of the church and the new life we receive through God's mercy and love.)

Confession and Forgiveness Missal p. 2

We follow the processional cross as it leads us into worship:

Gathering Hymn ELW #705
God of Grace and God of Glory

Apostolic Greeting Missal p. 3

Kyrie Missal p. 3

Hymn of Praise Missal p. 4

Prayer of the Day

P Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

The congregation is encouraged to follow along with the words of the anthem, found in ELW #792:

Anthem "When Memory Fades"
Chancel Choir

WORD

We hear readings from the Holy Scriptures. After each lesson the congregation responds, ***Thanks be to God.***

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10
Bible p. 628

The choir will lead the congregation in singing the psalm:

Psalm 1 "That Man Is Blessed"
See insert

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Bible p. 935

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation Missal p. 6

The Holy Gospel Luke 6:17-26
Bible p. 851

Gospel Acclamation Missal p. 7

Please be seated.

Homily

Please stand as you are able. We sing God's Word as it comes to us in a hymn chosen to reflect the themes of the day:

Hymn of the Day ELW #728
Blest Are They

Apostles' Creed Missal p. 8

Prayers of Intercession

A United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

At the end of each petition…

A Let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

P Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace Missal p. 8

Please be seated.

MEAL

Hearing God's Word, we now gather around the table to taste and see God's grace in the sacramental meal of Holy Communion, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins!

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Lutheran Church of Hope is about Sharing and Transforming faith, hopes, and lives. So now we offer our financial gifts so that lives both here and beyond our walls will be transformed by the hope that is the steadfast anchor of our souls!

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Hymn Missal p. 9
This Little Light of Mine

Offering Prayer

A God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving Missal p. 10

We begin our table liturgy by greeting one another in ancient song and offering our thanks to God. For the festive meal, the presiding minister wears a chasuble, a flowing poncho-like vestment over the alb and stole, symbolizing that the meal is for all people.

The Preface

It is indeed right …. we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus (*Holy, Holy, Holy*) Missal p. 10

The Eucharistic Prayer Missal p. 11

The Lord's Prayer Missal p. 12

Invitation to the Table

Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

Please be seated.

Agnus Dei (*Lamb of God*) Missal p. 13

Communion Hymns ELW #484
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
ELW #472
Eat This Bread

Please stand as you are able.

Post Communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

We ask God to help us extend the blessing of the table in our lives and in the world.

A We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Greetings for the Day

SENDING

Our worship is ended as we are sent into the world reminded that God goes with us.

Benediction Missal p. 14

Sending Hymn ELW #546
To Be Your Presence

Dismissal Missal p. 14

Postlude

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